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## PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

### UNITED STATES.

[Reports to the Surgeon-General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

*Summary of work in Chinatown, San Francisco, for the week ended August 27, 1904.*

The following is received from Passed Assistant Surgeon Blue, under date of August 29:

*Week ended August 27.*

Buildings reinspected .....	308
Rooms .....	2,388
Persons inspected .....	3,295
Sick .....	8
Sick prescribed for at Oriental Dispensary .....	11
Dead examined .....	6
Necropsies .....	1
Rats examined bacteriologically .....	33
Number showing pest infection .....	0
Places limed and disinfected .....	573
Blocks covered with Danysz virus and phosphorus poison .....	12
Times streets swept .....	3
Sewers flushed .....	18
Notices sent to abate plumbing nuisance .....	6
Plumbing nuisances abated .....	5
Undergoing abatement .....	9
Total number plumbing inspections .....	93

#### *Diphtheria at St. Michael, Alaska.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Derbyshire, at Nome, reports, July 9, the appearance of diphtheria at St. Michael, in the vicinity of Nome. No particulars have been received. The disease was probably introduced from points on the Yukon River.

*Correction of statement relative to smallpox in Liberty County, Ga.*

AUGUST 17, 1904.

Dr. WALTER WYMAN,

*Surgeon-General Public Health and  
Marine-Hospital Service, Washington.*

SIR: My attention has been called to the fact that in a letter to Dr. W. W. Owens, of Savannah, Ga., bearing the date of February 12, 1904, I stated that 7 persons had recently died of smallpox in Liberty